

### REMARKS

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicant elects Group I, claims 167-241, 255-262, 264-282 and 284-285 without traverse. Applicant presumes that the Examiner will withdraw non-elected Group II claims 242-254, 263, and 283. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application at a later date capturing the subject matter recited in any withdrawn claims.

### CONCLUSION

The present amendment and response is believed to be a complete response to the issues raised in the office action in full reconsideration. A favorable reaction is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions, comments or suggestions, the undersigned attorney earnestly requests a telephone conference.

Respectfully submitted,



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